ALICE IN LAGRANGE COUNTY

2022 Point-in-Time Data

UNITED FOR ALICE

Population: 40,364 • Number of Households: 12,641

Median Household Income: \$81,658 (state average: \$66,785) Labor Force Participation Rate: 63.7% (state average: 63.9%)

ALICE Households: 27% (state average: 27%) • Households in Poverty: 7% (state average: 13%)

Financial Hardship Over Time

ALICE is an acronym for Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed — households that earn more than the Federal Poverty Level, but less than the basic cost of living for the county (the ALICE Threshold). Households below the ALICE Threshold — ALICE households plus those in poverty — can't afford the essentials.

Households move below or above the ALICE Threshold as economic factors and circumstances change. This was especially true amid the economic crosscurrents of the COVID-19 pandemic, with higher wages, inflation, and additional pandemic assistance. By 2022, 4,335 households (34%) were below the ALICE Threshold in LaGrange County.

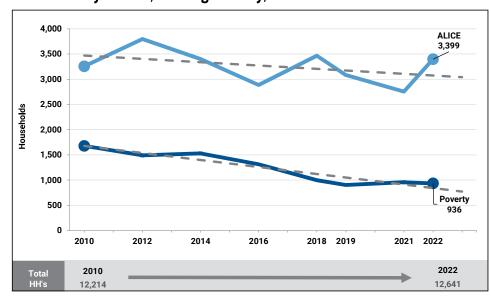
The Cost of Basics Outpaces Wages

The Household Survival Budget reflects the minimum cost to live and work in the current economy and includes housing, child care, food, transportation, health care, technology, and taxes. It does not include savings for emergencies or future goals like college or retirement. The Household Survival Budget is calculated at the county level and by household composition, as costs can vary greatly depending on location and household needs.

In 2022, household costs in LaGrange County were well above the Federal Poverty Level of \$13,590 for a single adult and \$27,750 for a family of four.

To see costs for different household compositions in LaGrange County, visit UnitedForALICE.org/Household-Budgets/Indiana

Households by Income, LaGrange County, 2010-2022



Note: See an interactive version of this data at <u>UnitedForALICE.org/Indiana</u> Sources: ALICE Threshold, 2010–2022; American Community Survey, 2010–2022

Household Survival Budget, LaGrange County, 2022		
	SINGLE ADULT	2 ADULTS, 1 INFANT, 1 Preschooler
Monthly Costs and Credits		
Housing – Rent	\$352	\$428
Housing – Utilities	\$163	\$310
Child Care	ı	\$1,142
Food	\$433	\$1,181
Transportation	\$398	\$1,048
Health Care	\$190	\$677
Technology	\$86	\$116
Miscellaneous	\$162	\$490
Tax Payments	\$297	\$1,038
Tax Credits	\$0	-\$433
Monthly Total	\$2,081	\$5,997
ANNUAL TOTAL	\$24,972	\$71,964
Hourly Wage*	\$12.49	\$35.98

^{*}Wage working full-time required to support this budget

For ALICE Survival Budget sources, visit <u>UnitedForALICE.org/Methodology</u>

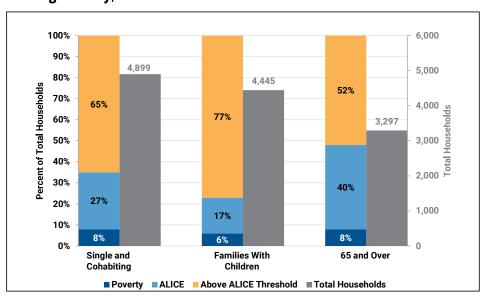
Financial Hardship is Not Evenly Distributed

Groups with the largest number of households below the ALICE Threshold tend to also be the largest demographic groups. However, when looking at the percentage of each group that is below the ALICE Threshold, some groups are more likely to be ALICE than others.

By addressing the disparities in financial hardship by county demographics, community members can move toward more equitable solutions.

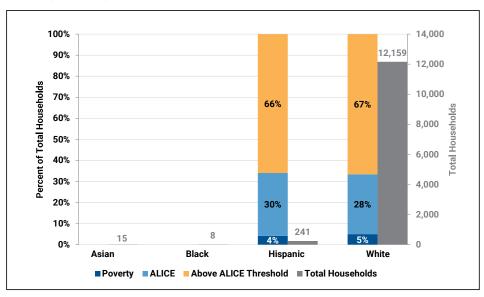
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Household Financial Status by Household Type, LaGrange County, 2022



Sources: ALICE Threshold, 2022; American Community Survey, 2022

Household Financial Status by Race/Ethnicity, LaGrange County, 2022



Note: Asian, Black, and White racial categories are for one race alone. Race and Hispanic ethnicity are overlapping categories. The Asian and Black groups may include Hispanic households; the White group includes only White, non-Hispanic households. The Hispanic ethnic group may include households of any race.

Sources: ALICE Threshold, 2022; American Community Survey, 2022

LaGrange County, 2022 Total % ALICE & Town Households Poverty Bloomfield township 2,142 859 30% Clay township Clearspring township 1,237 35% Eden township 1,118 28% Greenfield township 445 Johnson township 1,334 30% 801 Lima township 33% Milford township 1,308 42% 1,720 29% **Newbury township** 467 Springfield township Van Buren township 1,210 28%

Note: Municipal-level data on this page is 5-year averages for Census County Subdivisions. Data for counties with populations over 65,000 is 1-year estimates. Geographies with fewer than 100 households are not included. Therefore, totals will not match the county-level numbers.

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